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## BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of LUMSDEN, John E.; MYERS, John C.  
and MUELLER, Rene M.  
LOCAL SWITCH ATTACHED TELEPHONY ACCESS NODE  
Our Ref. 3650-008US

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including 12 pages of specification including 16 claims (2 independent) and Abstract, 4 sheets of formal drawings (Figures 1-4), as well as executed Declaration/Power of Attorney and Assignment forms, and an Assignment Recordation Form.

The Government filing fees are calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>16</u> - 20	=	_____	x	\$18.00 =	_____
Independent claims	<u>2</u> - 3	=	_____	x	\$80.00 =	_____
Assignment recordal						\$ 40.00
Basic Fee						\$ 710.00

## TOTAL FILING FEES

**\$ 750.00**

A check for the total filing fees is attached. If any other fees are required, the Office is asked to contact the undersigned as soon as possible. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

There is no claim to priority.

Respectfully submitted,  
G. RONALD BELL & ASSOCIATES  
Agents for Applicants

By: G. Ronald Bell  
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